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MARLIN-ROCKWELL DIVISION

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Mr. Stanley J. Pac, Commissioner
State Of Connecticut
Department Of Environmental Protection
State Office Building
Hartford, Ct. 06115

Re: Marlin Rockwell Division Of TRW
Abatement Order 2082 (Modified 6/78)

Dear Mr. Pac:

Paragraph 1E of Abatement Order 2082 issued to Marlin Rockwell Division of TRW on March 16, 1977 (modified 6/78) states, "On or before November 30, 1978 verify to the Commissioner of Environmental Protection that removal of oil and oil bearing sludge has been completed." We are requesting a nine month extension of that date. This extension will permit us to complete our pumpout procedure and analyse the contents of the lagoon bottom prior to filling the lagoon cavity.

We have been treating the lagoon contents for the past 16 months and achieved a 98% reduction in the amount of oil and grease. We constructed a filtration and skimming system in October which permitted us to begin pumping lagoon contents to the Plainville Sanitary System at 10,000 gallons per day. We expect this rate to be increased to 20,000 gallons per day in two weeks time and further increased as the town specifies. At the present pumpout rate, it is impossible to completely remove the liquid contents of the lagoon by the November 30th deadline. In addition, it is highly unlikely that pumpout can continue during the winter months due to the freezing of our pre-treatment system.

We contracted with Hitchcock Oil Company to skim and remove floating oil from the lagoon surface to insure that free oil: (1) doesn't remain on the ground, and (2) doesn't get into the Plainville Sanitary System. Hitchcock had encountered technical difficulty in performance of the contract and this failure to perform affected our ability to pumpout. It appears that the difficulty has been overcome and that they should be completed by 11/15/78.

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